MACRAMÉ FOR LIVING

Functional designs from one basic knot

Introduction by Neva Latas

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Whether you are an old hand at macraming or just new to the art I feel you are in for a pleasant experience working with the projects in this book.

I have been a macrame fan for some time, as it not only fulfills my need to be creative but produces many attractive and functional hangers. I learned to macrame using jute cord to make plant hangers. Soon I had as many as I needed as well as my family and friends.

Now what? About this time my parents were visiting and my mother brought back from shopping the new polypropylene cord. I used the cord to make her a small towel hanger for their recreational vehicle.

I found the cord so marvelous to work with that I became excited about creating with macrame again. Because of the vibrant colors and versatility of the cord I searched for new ways to utilize this art in the home. After coming up with a basic design, variations were created to fit the needs of other people's homes, which led to the designs in this book. They created so much interest that I decided to share them with you.

I hope that you enjoy them as much as I have and that you will go on to creating macrame for your own particular needs.

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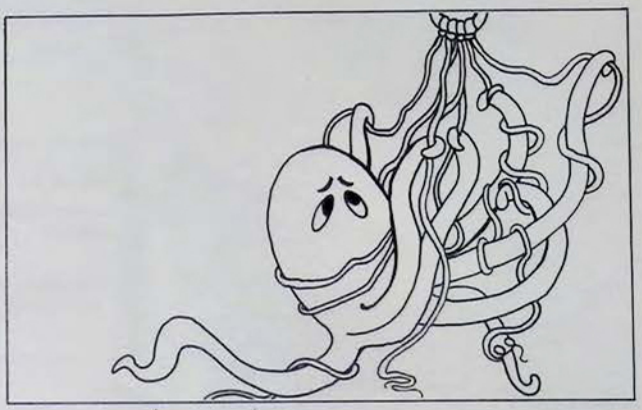

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If in doubt_____ read the instructions

The following information should be read before starting a project, as it contains many helpful ideas to make your macraming successful and aid the beginner in gaining an overall understanding of macrame.

The format of this book is built on basic patterns. I've included some variations to show you what you can do with a simple square knot and accessories.

To measure cord I sit in a straight-backed chair and place a yard stick across my lap. As I measure and cut each cord needed for the project I've selected I fold it in half and lay it across my lap. When the necessary cords are cut and folded I attach them to the appropriate ring or dowel and begin my project.

The length of my projects which hang from the ceiling are based on an eight foot ceiling. If your ceiling is a different height you can adjust the length of your project.

The measurements in any project are written for the size of cord specified under the Materials section. So if you want to be adventurous and use a different cord for the pattern remember that smaller cord requires more and larger cord less.

Some project instructions are given in inches instead of rows to allow for individual differences in tying knots.

I have found as a general rule on long projects that four times the finished length times two is enough cord (per cord). Remember each cord is folded in half to form two cords. To determine the amount of cords needed, take the number of sinnets you want times the number of cords in each sinnet, divide by two and you have the amount of cords to cut. On your first project with a different cord write down how much cord you cut (figure extra to be on the safe side). When you finish project measure cord left, deduct from amount you cut and you'll know exactly how much you need next time.

Working Cords: The cords used to tie knots.

Filler Cords: Are the non-working cords around which the working cords are tied.

Sinnet: A series of one particular knot, tied with the same group of cords.

Materials

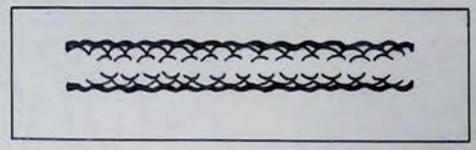
For my smaller projects I screw a simple plastic hanging into the wall at a comfortable working height. I place mine so I can work from a standing position at the beginning and a sitting position for the remainder of project. On larger projects I begin at the wall hook and then move the macrame to a metal hook secured into a doorway or overhead rafter, making sure I can work without strain. I keep a T.V. tray by my working area to hold the necessary tools for macraming. Equipment generally needed is yardstick, scissors, measuring tape, metal rings, plastic and wooden rings, and ceramic figures or beads.

CORD

I have used the large polypropylene cord in all my projects. See illustration for actual size.

I have found polypropylene to be very versatile. Not only is it available in many colors, but is also colorfast, weather resistant and washable. If you use non-corrosive or plastic rings in your projects they are completely washable.

Another very helpful aspect of polypropylene is that with application of minor heat you can weld cords together. This is very useful in the finishing off of wrapped rings and can be done in place of gluing. I suggest that you experiment on scrap cord before you use this technique.



RINGS

Projects in this book use metal, wooden and plastic rings. For heavy projects be sure you use a welded metal ring. The weight of a hanger could pull a non-welded ring apart and cause your project to fall. On projects which call for metal rings that will not be wrapped be sure you use a non-corrosive ring.

CERAMICS

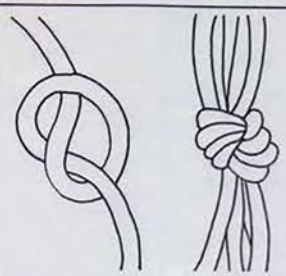
I have not listed specific ceramic pieces under Materials so you are free to choose your own depending on your own tastes and what is available in your locale.

PICTURE FRAMES

Family center type grocery stores are the only place I've found the small photo frames.

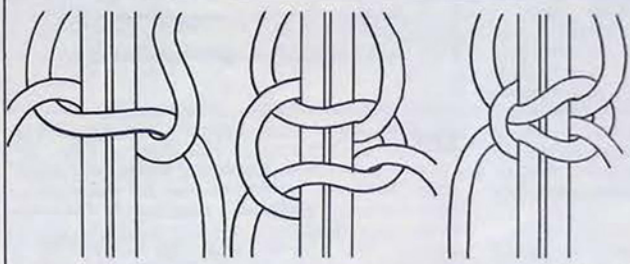
These materials are usually available in Arts & Crafts stores, Hobby shops, or Hardware stores.

Knotty techniques

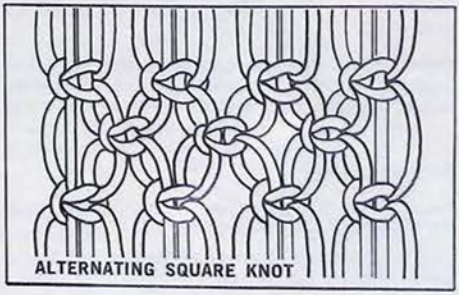


OVERHAND KNOT
This knot can be tied with one to many cords.

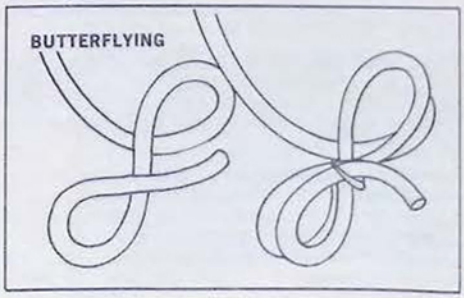
FINISHING PROJECT OVER RING
Bring all cords through ring. Fold over ring 4" below last row of square knots. Grasp all cords beneath square knots and tie off with gathering cord technique.



SQUARE KNOT
All square knots used in this book are the bar on left as shown above. This is also illustrated with two filler cords, sometimes projects will call for more or less.



ALTERNATING SQUARE KNOT



BUTTERFLYING

CHINESE CROWN KNOT
Divide cords into 4 groups.

Place project upside down between your knees and hold tightly.

Fold group 1 over the center, leaving a loop where the fold is, and place it in space A.

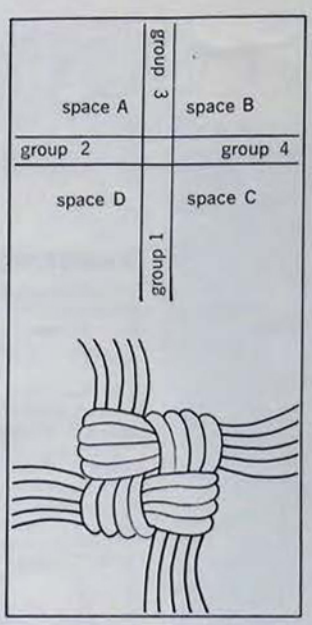
Fold group 2 over group 1 and place in space B.

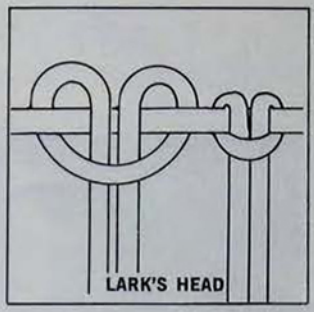
Fold group 3 over group 4 and place in space C.

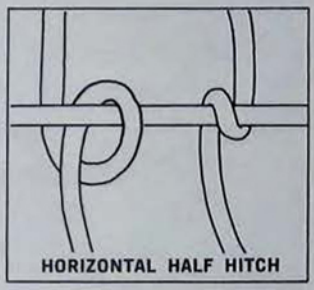
Fold group 4 over group 3, bring it thru loop in group 1, and place in space D.

Pull each group, arranging cords neatly, to tighten knot. This forms first knot.

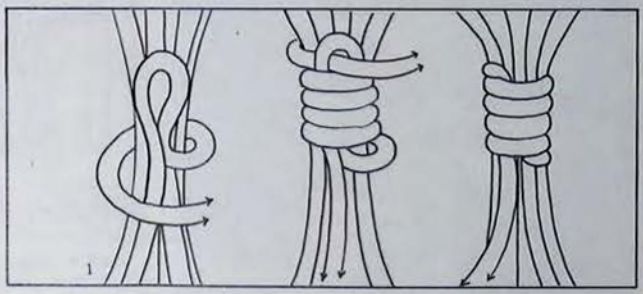
For second knot, fold any group straight across the knot to the space directly opposite the group. Group 2 is always the group that group 1 crosses over. Once you have determined group 2 proceed as directed above. Remember to leave a loop in group 1. Repeat for as many knots as are needed.



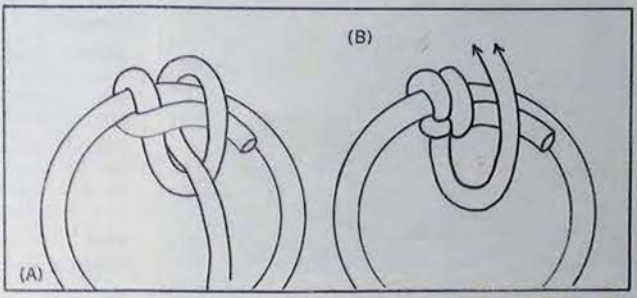




GATHERING CORD
Fold one end of gathering cord into a loop. Hold end, loop base secure, and wrap cord around loop. Place end 2 inside loop (Fig. 1). Pull end 1 until loop and end 2 are inside gathering cord. Cut excess cord close to base of wrap

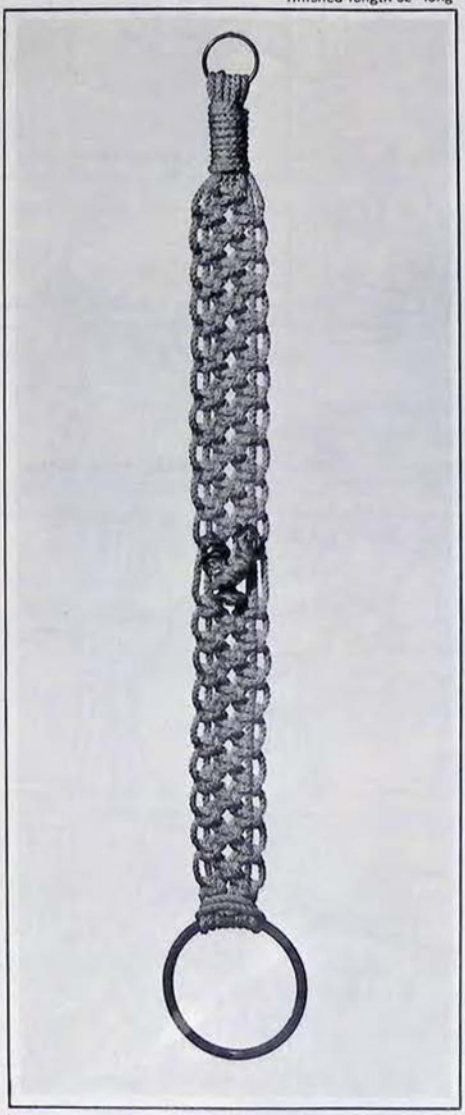


FANCY LARK'S HEAD WRAP
Fold 4" over rings at 1 end (A). Attach end to ring with lark's head (B). Holding cord end to right tie a series of lark's heads around ring



Kitchen Towel hanger

finished length 32" long



MATERIALS

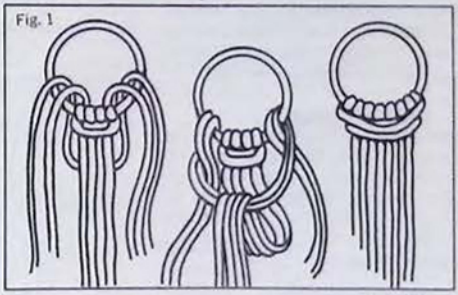
20 yards polypropylene cord*
1 5" plastic or bamboo ring
1 1½" metal ring
1 ceramic figure

You will be working with project upside down.

STEP 1 Cut 4 cords 5 yards long.

STEP 2 Fold 2 of the cords in half and attach to ring with 1 lark's head. Fold 2 remaining cords in half and, placing to either side of first cords, attach with 1 lark's head. See illustration Fig. 1.

Fig. 1



STEP 3 Number cords 1 thru 8, counting from left to right. You will work with two filler cords.

STEP 4 Directly under lark's head, tie square knots with cord groups 1-4 and 5-8.

STEP 5 In second row, tie a square knot with cord group 3-6.

STEP 6 You are working with an alternating square knot pattern now, so repeat steps 4 and 5 (ending with step 4) until project measures approximately 17" (measuring from top of ring).

STEP 7 Pull cord group 3-6 through bottom of ceramic figure until snug against last row of square knots. Tie square knots with cord groups 1-4 and 5-8 to secure ceramic figure.

STEP 8 Continue alternating square knot pattern by repeating steps 4 and 5 (beginning and ending with

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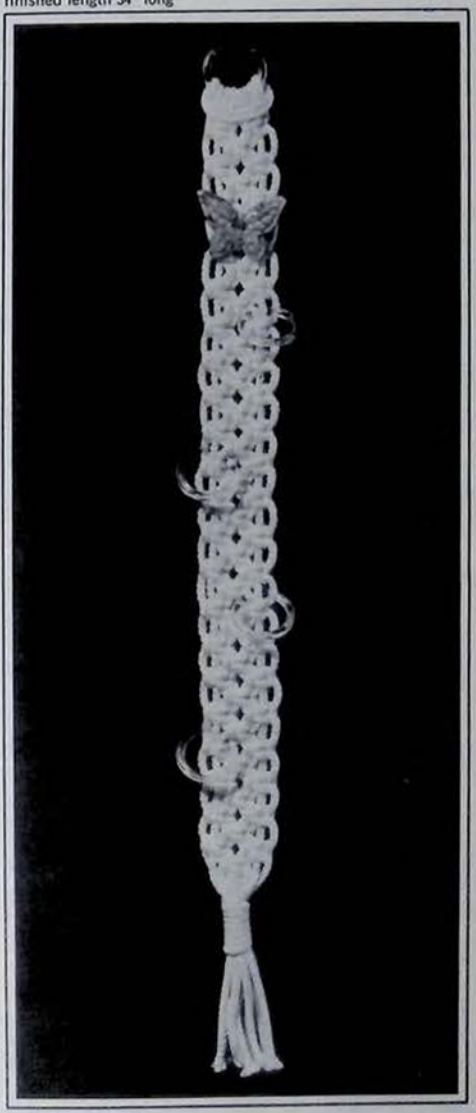
Scarf or belt hanger

finished length 34" long



MATERIALS

22 yards polypropylene cord*
5 2" plastic rings
1 ceramic figure

STEP 1 Cut 4 cords 5½ yards long.

STEP 2 Fold 2 of the cords in half and attach to 2" ring with 1 lark's head. Fold 2 remaining cords in half and placing to either side of first cords on ring attach with 1 lark's head. See illustration Fig. 1 page 8.

STEP 3 Number cords 1 thru 8 counting from left to right. You will work with two filler cords.

STEP 4 Directly below lark's head tie square knots with cord groups 1-4 and 5-8.

STEP 5 Tie square knot with cord group 3-6.

STEP 6 Repeat alternating square knot pattern for 3 more rows.

STEP 7 Pull cord group 3-6 through top of ceramic figure until snug against last row of square knots. Tie square knots with cord groups 1-4 and 5-8 to secure ceramic.

STEP 8 Repeat alternating square knot pattern for 3 more rows.

STEP 9 Tie square knot with cord group 1-4. Before tying square knot with cord group 5-8 pull filler cords (cords 6 and 7) over a plastic ring. See illustration Fig. 1.

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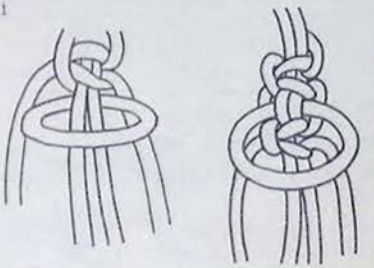

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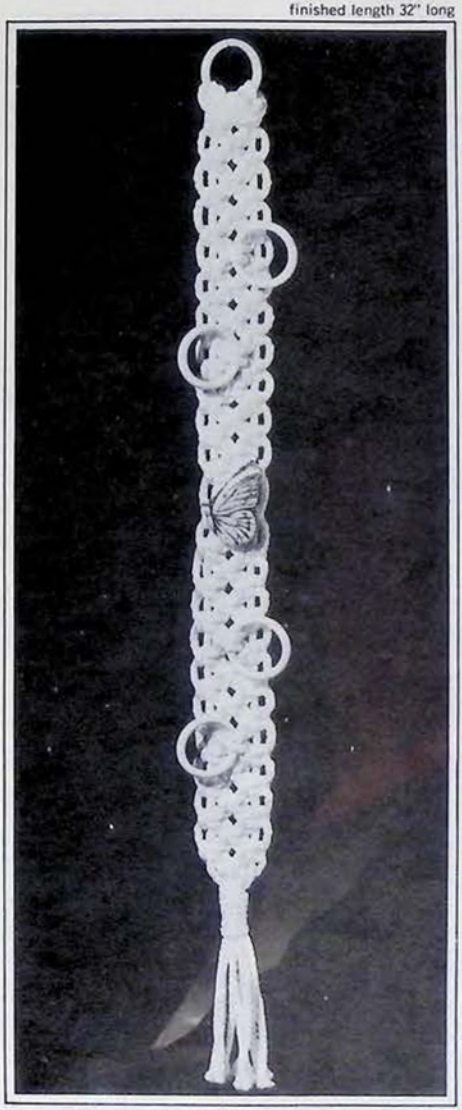
napkin hanger

finished length 32" long



MATERIALS

22 yards polypropylene cord*
5 2" plastic rings
1 ceramic figure

STEP 1 Cut 4 cords 5½ yards long.

STEP 2 Fold 2 of the cords in half and attach to 2" ring with 1 lark's head. Fold 2 remaining cords in half and placing to either side of first cords on ring, attach with one lark's head. See illustration Fig. 1 page 8.

STEP 3 Number cords 1 thru 8 counting from left to right. You will work with two filler cords.

STEP 4 Directly below lark's head tie a square knot with cord groups 1-4 and 5-8.

STEP 5 Tie a square knot with cord group 3-6.

STEP 6 Repeat alternating square knot pattern for 5 more rows.

STEP 7 Tie in 1 plastic ring with a square knot with cord group 3-6. See illustration Fig. 1.

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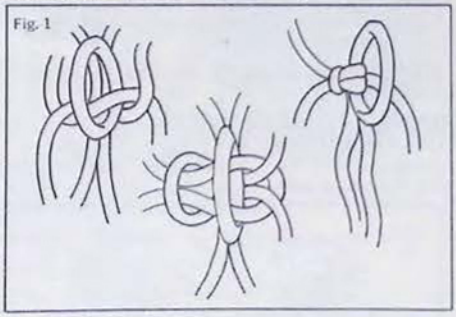

STEP 8 Repeat step 6.

STEP 9 Repeat step 7.

STEP 10 Repeat alternating square knot pattern for 7 rows.

STEP 11 Pull cord group 3-6 through the top of ceramic figure until snug against last row. Tie square knots with cord groups 1-4 and 5-8 to secure ceramic figure.

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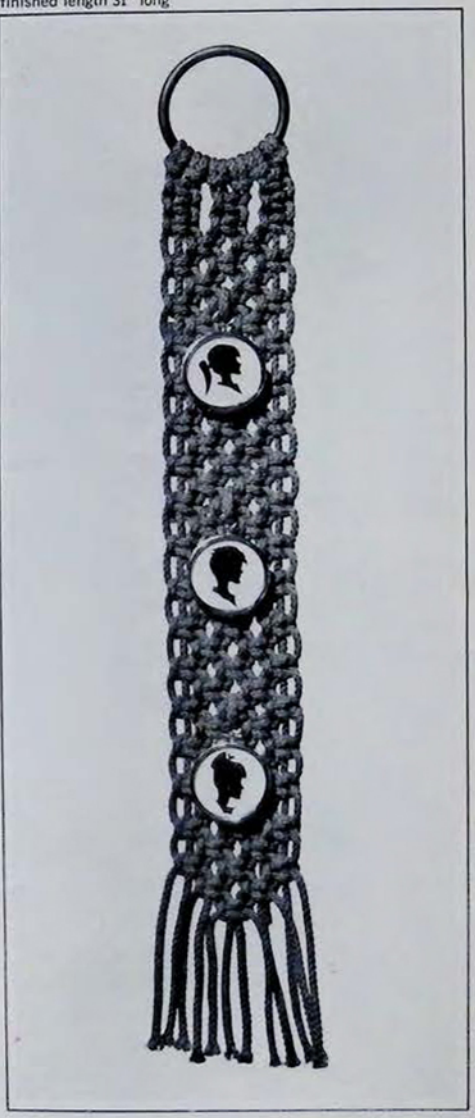
Photo hanger

finished length 31" long



MATERIALS

27 yards polypropylene cord *
1 4" wooden ring
3 or 4 small picture frames

STEP 1 Cut 6 cords 4½ yards long.

STEP 2 Fold each cord in half and attach to 4" wooden ring in separate lark's heads.

STEP 3 Number cords 1 thru 12 counting from left to right. You will work with two filler cords.

STEP 4 Directly below lark's head tie 3 square knots with cord group 1-4; 2 square knots with cord group 5-8; and 3 square knots with cord group 9-12.

STEP 5 Start an alternating square knot pattern.
Row 1: Use cord groups 3-6 and 7-10.
Row 2: Use cord groups 1-4, 5-8, and 9-12.

STEP 6 Repeat row 1 and 2 ending with row 1 until the hanger measures approximately 27" from top of wooden ring to last row.

STEP 7 Tie a square knot with cord group 5-8.

STEP 8 Cut cords 3" to 4" below last square knot.

STEP 9 Cut cords 9" long to tie frames to hanger. Place frames on hanger wherever you want. Attach ring of picture frame to the middle square knot of a row of three square knots. See illustration Fig. 1.

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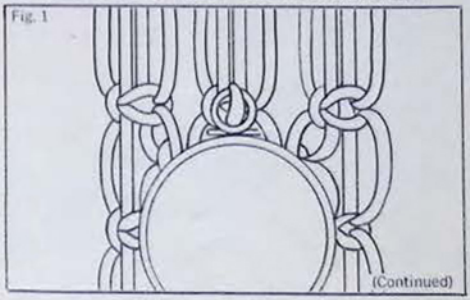

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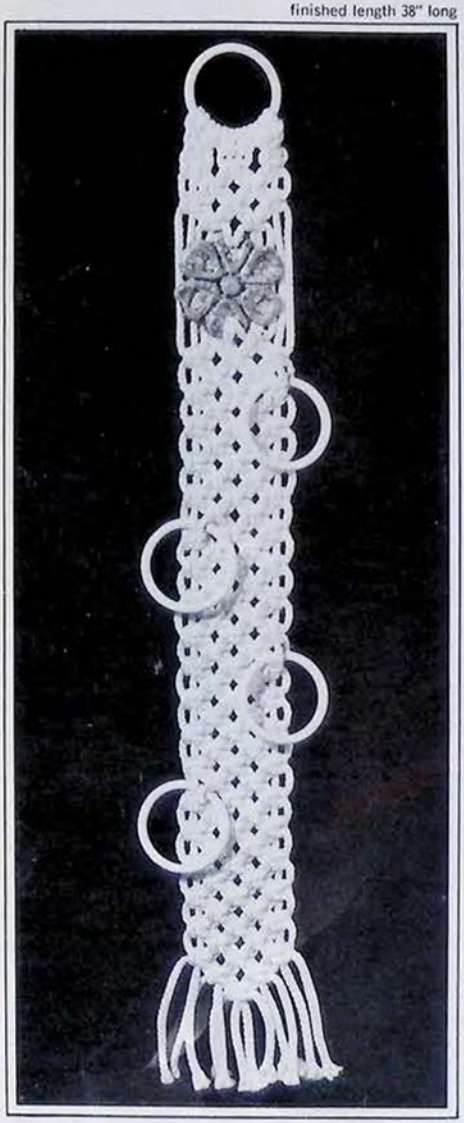
MACRAME SHOWCASE

Guest Towel

finished length 38" long



MATERIALS

30 yards polypropylene cord*
5 3" plastic rings
1 ceramic figure

STEP 1 Cut 6 cords 5 yards long.

STEP 2 Fold each cord in half and attach to 3" plastic ring in separate lark's heads.

STEP 3 Number cords 1 thru 12 counting from left to right. You will work with two filler cords.

STEP 4 Directly below lark's head tie 2 square knots with cord group 1-4; 1 square knot with cord group 5-8; and 2 square knots with cord group 9-12.

STEP 5 Start alternating square knot pattern.
Row 1 Use cord groups 3-6 and 7-10.
Row 2 Use cord groups 1-4, 5-8, and 9-12.
Row 3 Use cord groups 3-6 and 7-10.

STEP 6 If you use a ceramic with 2 holes as shown in picture proceed as follows: Pull cords 6 and 7 through hole in ceramic, front to back, down and through bottom hole, back to front. Tie square knots with cord groups 3-6 and 7-10 to secure ceramic. If you use a ceramic figure bead proceed as follows: Pull cord group 5-8 through top of ceramic figure until snug against last row of square knots. Tie square knots with cord groups 3-6 and 7-10 to secure ceramic figure.

STEP 7 Tie 2 rows of alternating square knots.
Row 1 Use cord groups 1-4, 5-8, and 9-12.
Row 2 Use cord groups 3-6 and 7-10.

STEP 8 Tie square knots with cord groups 1-4 and 5-8. Before tying square knot with cord group 9-12 pull filler cords (cords 10 and 11) over a plastic ring. See illustration Fig. 1 page 9.

STEP 9 Tie 7 rows of alternating square knots ending with cord groups 3-6 and 7-10.

STEP 10 Pull filler cords (cords 2 and 3) over a plastic ring then tie square knots with cord groups 1-4, 5-8, and 9-12.

STEP 11 Repeat step 9.

STEP 12 Repeat step 8.

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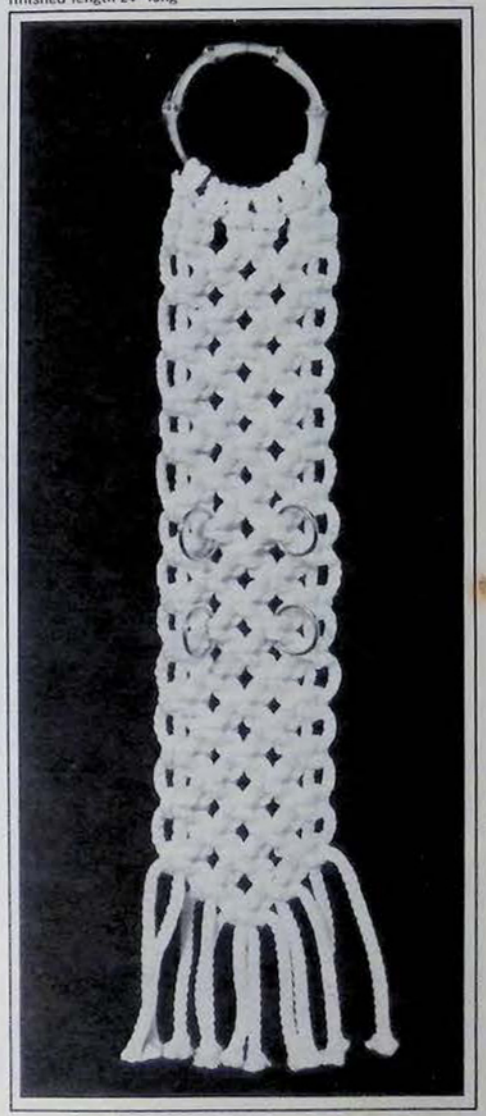
Dinah's helper

finished length 24" long



MATERIALS

21 yards polypropylene cord*
1 4" wooden ring
4 1" metal rings (non corrosive)
2 drapery hooks

STEP 1 Cut 6 cords 3½ yards long.

STEP 2 Fold each cord in half and attach to the 4" wooden ring with separate lark's heads.

STEP 3 Number cords 1 thru 12 counting from left to right. You will work with two filler cords.

STEP 4 Directly below lark's heads tie 2 square knots with cord group 1-4; 1 square knot with cord group 5-8; and 2 square knots with cord group 9-12.

STEP 5 Start alternating square knot pattern.
Row 1 Use cord groups 3-6 and 7-10.
Row 2 Use cord groups 1-4, 5-8, and 9-12.

STEP 6 Repeat Row 1 and 2 four times.

STEP 7 Tie in with a square knot a 1" metal ring in cord groups 3-6 and 7-10. See illustration Fig 1 page 10.

STEP 8 Tie 3 rows of alternating square knots.
Row 1 Use cord groups 1-4, 5-8 and 9-12.
Row 2 Use cord groups 3-6 and 7-10.
Row 3 Use cord groups 1-4, 5-8 and 9-12.

STEP 9 Repeat step 7.

STEP 10 Tie 10 rows of alternating square knots.

STEP 11 Tie a square knot with cord group 5-8.

STEP 12 Cut cords to measure 3" to 4" in length from last square knot.

VARIATIONS

1. In place of pot holder hang measuring cups on hook.

2. Replace rings for spoons with ceramic figure as follows: At step 7 instead of adding rings pull 4 middle cords through ceramic figure. Skip down to step 10 and do alternating square knot pattern to desired length.

*** If you want to conserve cord . . .**

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Jewelry hanger

finished length 28" long

MATERIALS

43 2/3 yards polypropylene cord
1 2" wooden ring
1 11" dowel*
2 eye screws
1 ceramic figure
5 to 10 drapery hooks

STEP 1 Place eye screw in each end of dowel. Cut 2 cords 30" long. Fold in half and attach each to 2" ring with lark's heads. Bring 2 cords through eye screw on left of dowel and 2 cords through eye screw on right of dowel. Tie an overhand knot under eye screws 8½" from lark's head to secure cords and form hanger.

STEP 2 Cut 14 cords 3 yards long.

STEP 3 Fold each cord in half and attach to dowel with separate lark's heads. You will work with two filler cords.

STEP 4 Number cords 1 thru 28 counting from left to right.

STEP 5 Directly below lark's head tie 2 square knots with cord groups 1-4, 5-8, 9-12, 13-16, 17-20, 21-24 and 25-28.

STEP 6 Start alternating square knot pattern.
Row 1 Use cord groups 3-6, 7-10, 11-14, 15-18, 19-22 and 23-26.
Row 2 Use cord groups 1-4, 5-8, 9-12, 13-16, 17-20, 21-24 and 25-28.
Row 3 Repeat row 1.
Row 4 Repeat row 2.
Row 5 Repeat row 1

STEP 7 Pull cord group 13-16 through top of ceramic figure until snug against row 5. Tie 4 square knots (or as many as are needed for depth of ceramic) with cord groups 1-4, 5-8, 9-12, 17-20, 21-24 and 25-28.

STEP 8 Tie 10 rows of alternating square knots, starting with row 1 and ending with row 2 in step 6.

STEP 9 Cut cords 4" to 5" below last row of square knots.

STEP 10 Brush out cords under screws to form tassels.

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Dresser Mate

finished length 28" long

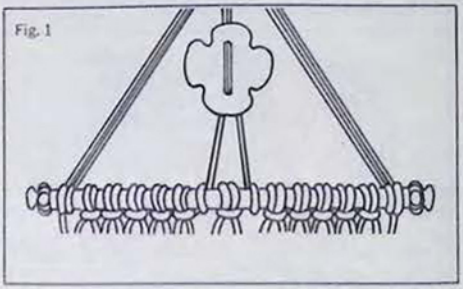
MATERIALS

45 yards polypropylene cord
1 wooden rod
1 ceramic figure (preferably flat on back as it will be laying against the wall)
5 2" wooden rings
5 to 10 drapery hooks

STEP 1 Cut 3 cords 4 yards long and 11 cords 3 yards long.

STEP 2 Take the three cords 4 yards long, fold each in half and attach to a 2" wooden ring with lark's heads. Bring 2 cords to left end of rod and 2 cords to right end of rod. Attach with half hitches 9" from wooden ring. Bring middle cords through top hole of ceramic, front to back, down and through bottom hole, back to front. Attach to wooden rod with half hitches approximately 8" from wooden ring. Fold the 11 cords 3 yards long in half and attach each to wooden rod with lark's heads. See illustration Fig. 1 for placement.

Fig. 1



STEP 3 Number cords 1 thru 28 counting from left to right. You will be working with two filler cords.

STEP 4 Directly below rod tie 8 rows of alternating square knots.

Row 1 Use cord groups 1-4, 5-8, 9-12, 13-16, 17-20, 21-24 and 25-28.

Row 2 Use cord groups 3-6, 7-10, 11-14, 15-18, 19-22 and 23-16. For rows 3 thru 8 repeat row 1 and 2 three times.

STEP 5 Row 9: Tie square knots only with cord groups 1-4, 5-8, 9-12, 17-20, 21-24 and 25-28. Row 10:

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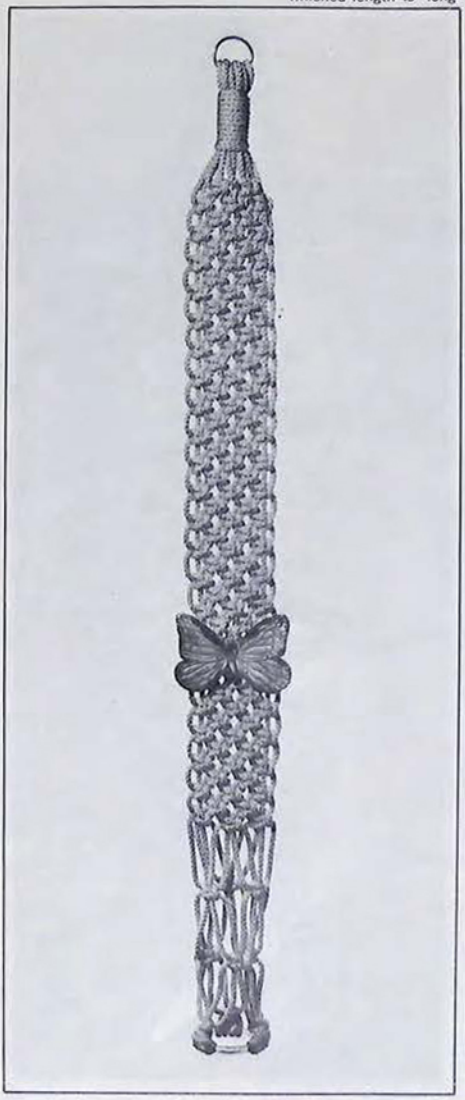
Just for baby

finished length 45" long



MATERIALS

39 yards of polypropylene cord
1 2" metal ring
1 3" metal or plastic ring
1 ceramic figure
1 container of baby "wash cloths"

You'll be working
with project upside down.

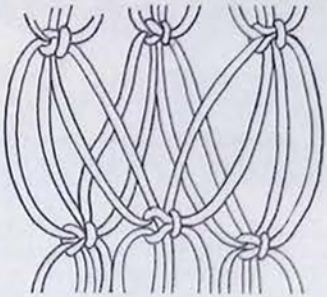
STEP 1 Cut 6 cords each 6½ yards long. Fold in half and attach in groups of two to 3" ring with lark's heads. You will have 3 groups of cords with 4 cords in each. You will work with two filler cords.

STEP 2 Directly below lark's head tie a square knot with each group of cords.

STEP 3 From each square knot drop down 3", take 2 cords from each neighboring group and tie a square knot. Repeat same procedure one more time.

STEP 4 Drop down 3" and arrange cords according to illustration (see illustration Fig. 1).

Fig. 1



STEP 5 Number cords 1 thru 12 counting from left to right. Begin an alternating square knot pattern.
Row 1 Use cord groups 1-4, 5-8 and 9-12.
Row 2 Use cord groups 3-6 and 7-10. Repeat row 1 and 2 until you have an 8" sinnet.

STEP 6 Pull cord group 5-8 through bottom of ceramic figure until snug against last row. Tie square knots with cord groups 3-6 and 7-10 to secure ceramic figure.

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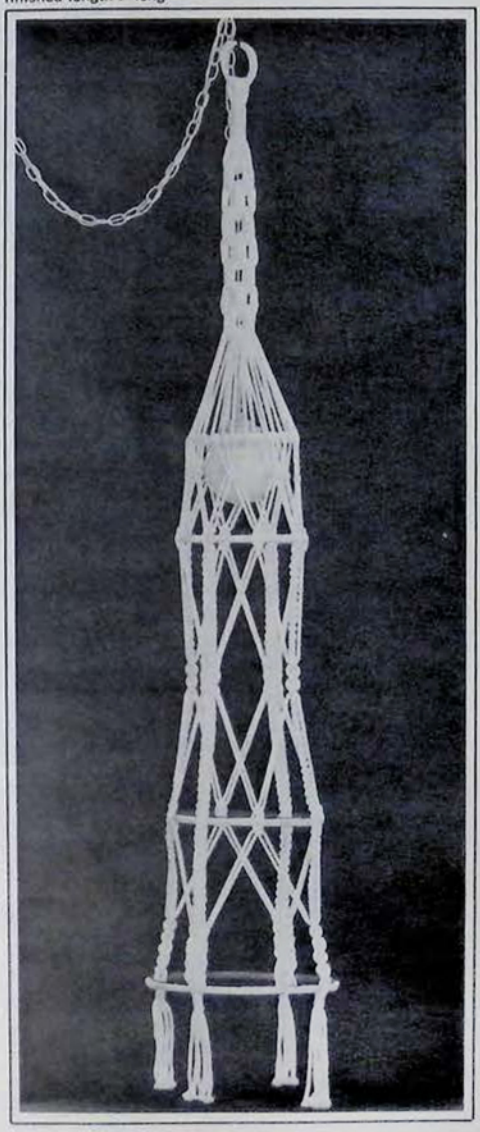
Majestic simplicity

finished length 7' long



MATERIALS

221 yards polypropyiene cord
1 3" metal ring
1 8" metal ring
1 10" metal ring
1 12" metal ring
1 15" metal ring
12' chain
15' electrical cord, with plug and switch
1 light fixture (globe type with 3" canopy)
1 1" metal finish loop
1 porcelain socket with 1" nipple and locking nut
1 12" plate or double strength glass
1 15" plate or double strength glass

CUTTING DIRECTIONS

Cut 16 cords 12 yards long
Cut 1 cord 1 yard long
Cut 1 cord 2 yards long
Cut 1 cord 5 yards long
Cut 1 cord 6 yards long
Cut 1 cord 7 yards long
Cut 1 cord 8 yards long

STEP 1 Wrap all rings. See Knotty Techniques.
Use cord 2 yards long for 3" ring
Use cord 5 yards long for 8" ring
Use cord 6 yards long for 10" ring
Use cord 7 yards long for 12" ring
Use cord 8 yards long for 15" ring

STEP 2 Fold the 16 cords 12 yards long in half over the covered 3" ring. You will have 6 yards on either side of ring. Take the cord 1 yard long and place over 3" ring, having 6" on one side and 30" on other. Taking your 15' of electrical cord, drop 32" down with cords. Tie all off together with a 50" gathering cord.

STEP 3 Divide the cords into four groups with 8 cords in each group. Butterfly each group together.

STEP 4 Tie 8 Chinese crown knots. Keep the electrical cord and single cord in center of crown knots. These will not be used until end of project so butterfly out of way.

STEP 5 Separate cords and butterfly each separately.

STEP 6 Drop down 8" and double half hitch each cord separately around 8" ring, see illustration Fig. 1. Be sure ring is even before proceeding.

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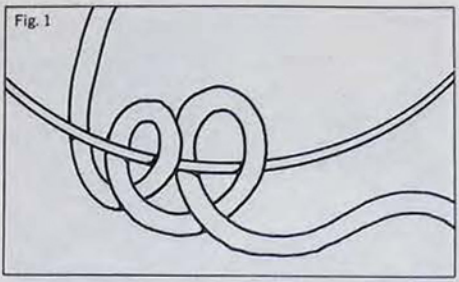


STEP 7 Divide cords into 8 groups, 4 cords in each group. With each group of cords drop down 4" and tie 1 square knot. You will find it easier to keep your rings straight if you tie your first square knot, then tie next one directly across from it; move ¼ turn around ring and use same procedure until all cords are tied.

STEP 8 With each group of cords drop down 4" and taking 2 cords from each neighboring group tie 1 square knot.

STEP 9 Add 10" ring by placing each group of cords to outside of ring. Then separately wrap each cord around ring with a reverse half hitch. Be sure and space the groups evenly around ring.

STEP 10 Tie a 9" sinnet of square knots with every other group of cords. You will have 4 sinnets.

STEP 11 Bring 2 cords from each neighboring group of cords to sinnet. You will now have 8 cords. Tie 3 large square knots using 4 cords from sinnet as filler cords. Repeat for each sinnet. See illustration Fig. 2.

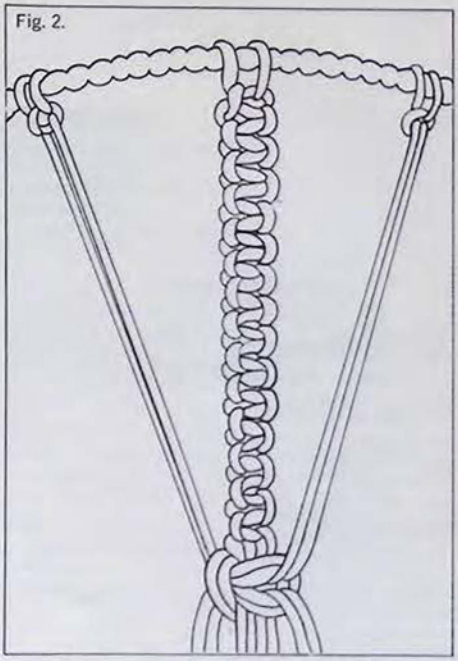
STEP 12 Taking the two working cords from each group drop down 10" and tie a square knot. You will have 4 square knots.

STEP 13 Add 12" ring by placing each group of cords (same group as in step 12) to outside of ring. Then separately wrap each cord around ring with a reverse half hitch.

STEP 14 Go back to cords used for 9" sinnet and tie another sinnet of square knots 19" long with each group.

STEP 15 Repeat step 11 except tie 5 large square knots in place of the 3.

STEP 16 Add 15" ring by placing each group of cords to outside of ring. Then separately wrap each cord around ring with a reverse half hitch. Tie all cords of each group off tightly with a 9" gathering cord making 6 wraps (tie off at back of each group). This needs to be snug as it will be holding the weight of a shelf.



STEP 17 Cut cords 8" to 10" below gathering cord to form tassels.

STEP 18 Place glass shelves in 12" and 15" rings.

STEP 19 Attach light assembly by threading electrical cord through the following: holding loop, canopy, locknut, and 1" nipple. Attach wire to porcelain socket, now screw nipple into socket and lock in place with locknut. Place canopy over nipple and secure in place with holding loop. Insert light bulb and secure globe to canopy. Adjust completed light assembly to desired height by pulling on electrical cord. Now attach the remaining single cord to the holding loop to hold weight of light fixture. Thread electrical cord through chain and attach switch and plug.

Kitchen towel (Continued)

step 5) until project measures approximately 28" (measuring from top of D ring).

STEP 9 Pull all cords through 1½" metal ring and fold over ring 4" from last square knot. Tie all cords together at back of hanger with a 36" gathering cord. See Knotty Techniques. Cut excess cord close to bottom of gathering cord.

This same pattern can be used to make a longer towel hanger for your bathroom. Following basic pattern above cut 4 cords 6½ yards long. Add ceramic figure at 25"; finish project at 43"; and tie off. Your finished project will be 48" long. You can substitute ceramic ring for the bamboo or plastic ring.

*** If you want to conserve on cord . . .**
cut 3 cords 5 yards long and 1 cord 2½ yards long. Fold two 5 yard cords in half and attach to D ring in 1 lark's head. Fold remaining two cords in half (one 5 yards and one 2½ yards) and attach to D ring as shown in illustration Fig. 1. When attaching, place short cords inside (cords 2 and 7). These cords will only be filler cords and not working cords. Be sure You keep them in this order all through project.

Scarf or belt (Continued)

STEP 10 Repeat alternating square knot pattern for 7 more rows.

STEP 11 Before tying square knot with cord group 1-4 pull filler cords (cords 2 and 3) over a plastic ring. Tie square knot with cord group 5-8.

STEP 12 Repeat step 10.

STEP 13 Repeat step 9.

STEP 14 Repeat step 10.

STEP 15 Repeat step 11.

STEP 16 Repeat step 10.

STEP 17 Right below last square knot tie all cords together with a 36" gathering cord. Leave 3" to 4" of cord below gathering cord for tassel.

For a Scarf Hanger with 5 rings:
Following Scarf Hanger instructions cut 4 cords 6 yards long. After step 16 repeat steps 9 and 10 before going on to step 17.

For a Scarf Hanger with 6 rings:
Following Scarf Hanger instructions cut 4 cords 6 yards long. Change step 10 to 5 rows, instead of 7. After step 16 repeat steps 9, 10, 11, and 10 before going on to step 17.

*** If you want to conserve on cord . . .**
for 4 Ring hanger: Cut 3 cords 5½ yards long and 1 cord 2½" yards long.

For 5 Ring hanger: Cut 3 cords 6 yards long and 1 cord 3 yards long.

For 6 Ring hanger: Cut 3 cords 6 yards long and 1 cord 3 yards long.

Follow instructions given under basic pattern for attachment.

Napkin (Continued)

STEP 12 Repeat alternating square knot pattern for 6 rows.

STEP 13 Repeat step 7.

STEP 14 Repeat step 6.

STEP 15 Repeat step 7.

STEP 16 Repeat alternating square knot pattern for 8 rows.

STEP 17 Right below last square knot tie all cords together with a 36" gathering cord. Leave 3" to 4" of cord below gathering cord for tassel.

For 6 Ring Napkin Holder each step will be the same except where indicated.

STEPS:

1 Change to 6 yards
2 Same
3 Same
4 Same
5 Same
6 Change to 3 rows
7 Same
8 Same (5 rows)
9 a. same
b. repeat 8 and 9
10 Change to 5 rows
11 Same
12 Change to 4 rows
13 Same
14 Same (5 rows)
15 a. same
b. repeat 14 and 15
16 Change to 6 rows
17 Same

*** If you want to conserve cord . . .**
for 4 Ring Napkin Holder: Cut 3 cords 5½ yards long and 1 cord 2½ yards long.

For 6 Ring Napkin Holder: Cut 3 cords 6 yards long and 1 cord 3 yards long.

Follow instructions given under basic pattern for attachment.

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For 2 Frame Hanger: Cut 6 cords 4 yards long and proceed as basic pattern until hanger measures approximately 23" long (step 6).

*** If you want to conserve on cord . . .**
for 3 or 4 Frame Hanger: Cut 4 cords 4½ yards long and 2 cords 3¼ yards long. Attach the 2 shorter cords first and sixth. Pull the outside cord (of shorter cords) to the same length as other cords.

This leaves cord 2 and cord 11 shorter as these cords are always used as filler cords, not working cords.

For 2 Frame Hanger: Cut 4 cords 4 yards long and 1 cord 3 yards long. Attach same as above.

Guest towel (Continued)

STEP 13 Repeat step 9.

STEP 14 Repeat step 10.

STEP 15 Tie 11 rows of alternating square knots.

STEP 16 Tie a square knot with cord group 5-8.

STEP 17 Cut cords 3" to 4" below last square knot.

***If you want to conserve on cord . . .**
cut 4 cords 5 yards long and 2 cords 3½ yards long Follow instructions given under basic pattern for attachment.

Dinah's helper (Continued)

cut 4 cords 3½ yards long and 2 cords 2½ yards long. Follow instructions given under basic pattern for attachment.

Jewelry (Continued)

STEP 11 Place drapery hooks as needed. Pull apart back of hooks to fit over square knots.

*** If you use a finished wooden rod . . .**
STEP A Cut 2 cords 3 yards and 20" long. Cut 12 cords 3 yards long.

STEP B Attach the 2 cords 3 yards 20" long to 2" ring with separate lark's heads.

STEP C Drop down 9" from lark's head and attach cords to extreme left and right of wooden rod with half hitches. Proceed with 12 cords as in step 3.

You can stain or paint your dowel before using for a more finished look.

If you like fringe, brush out cords below last row. Before brushing use heating technique right below knots to stop fraying.

Dresser mate (Continued)

Before tying square knot with cord group 3-6 pull filler cords (cords 4 and 5) over 2" wooden ring (see illustration Fig. 1 page 9). Tie square knots only with cord groups 7-10 and 19-22. Before tying square knot with cord group 23-26 pull filler cords (cords 24 and 25) over a 2" wooden ring. Row 11: Repeat row 9.

STEP 6 Tie 5 rows of alternating square knots, beginning and ending with row 2 in step 4.

STEP 7 Tie square knots with cord groups 1-4 and 5-8. Before tying square knot with cord group 9-12 pull filler cords (cords 10 and 11) over 2" wooden ring. Tie square knot with cord group 13-16. Before tying square knot with cord group 17-20 pull filler cords (cords 18 and 19) over 2" wooden ring. Tie square knots with cord groups 21-24 and 25-28.

STEP 8 Tie 2 rows of alternating square knots ending with row 1 in step 4.

STEP 9 Cut cords 4" or 5" below last row of knots. Or you may leave them uneven as I have in picture.

Just for baby (Continued)

STEP 7 Continue alternating square knot pattern until you have approximately a 20" sinnet, ending with square knots in cord groups 3-6 and 7-10.

STEP 8 Pull all cords through 2" metal ring and fold over ring 4" from last square knot. Tie all cords together at back of hanger with a 45" gathering cord. See Knotty Techniques. Cut excess cord close to bottom of gathering cord.

STEP 9 Put container into hanger and hang from ceiling by baby's crib. When you no longer have need for baby "wash cloths" you can use hanger for plants or to display a favorite stuffed animal.